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REMARKS

Claims 2-25 are pending. Claim 1 has been canceled. Claim 25 is new. The applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of this application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Further to the amendment filed on 17 December 2008, the claims have been amended to correct errors. Several of the dependent claims included the term "building part," which lacked antecedent basis. This has been corrected.

Further, independent claims 12 and 17 have been clarified to recite that the data storage device is mounted on one of a plurality of seat components.

Claims 12, 17 and their dependents are patentably distinguished from May for essentially the reasons given in the amendment filed on 17 December 2008. That is, the changes made to the claims by this amendment do not change the general nature of the arguments for patentability presented on 17 December 2008.

Claim 25 is a new claim directed to a vehicle seat. May fails to disclose or suggest a vehicle seat. The chair disclosed in May is adapted for use at home or in an office but is not adapted to the use in a vehicle.

In addition, claim 25 includes a data storage device storing relevant data, where the relevant data is data that represents service life or certification of the seat or service life or certification of the seat component on which the data storage device is mounted. Therefore, the data storage device of the present invention is specifically adapted to store data relevant to the

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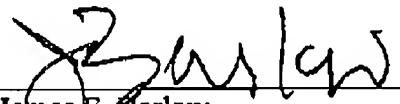
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seat to which it is attached. There is no disclosure or suggestion in May concerning a data storage device storing data specific to the chair in which the computing system is contained.

In view of the changes above and the amendments and remarks submitted on 17 December 2008, the applicants submit that this application is in condition for allowance. A timely notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If questions arise, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone.

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